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Officers of the Free Public Library

FOR THE YEAR 1898.

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ALEXANDER McL. GOODSPEED,	Term expires April, 1898.
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PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD.

THE MAYOR.

CLERK.

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COMMITTEES.

On the Library—Messrs. Julien, Holmes, and Goodspeed.
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REPORT.

To the City Council of the City of New Bedford:

GENTLEMEN :—We have the honor to present the forty-sixth annual report of the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library.

The year 1897 witnessed a gratifying increase in the use by the inhabitants of the city of the Free Public Library. The increase in the number of books taken from the library by its patrons, over that of last year, has been 15,512 volumes, which is 13 3-10 per cent. more than that of 1896. The net additions to the library have been about the same as that of 1896, although the losses in volumes from wear and tear has been much larger than usual, owing to the discarding of books found to be in a condition not suitable for use.

There has been an increase in the expenses of binding, caused by the rebinding of old books and of periodicals, many of which were purchased to fill out sets referred to in Poole's Index.

The last year witnessed a new departure in the matter of the establishment of branch reading rooms in the north and south ends of the city. These reading rooms went into operation in September, 1897, and the work of their establishment devolved wholly upon Messrs. Julien and Hunt of the Board of Trustees, who devoted much time and thought to the matter. These reading rooms are furnished with newspapers published in this city and in

Fall River and Boston, and with magazines and books of reference. At the start they were open from 3 to 9 o'clock p. m. The average daily attendance at the north reading room to January 1st, was 114, and of the south reading room 50. It is believed that this attendance will steadily increase in the future, and that more facilities can be properly supplied. The trustees have also adopted a system of gathering and delivering books of the library at these reading rooms. Orders for books desired from the library, left at these reading rooms, are filled daily, and residents of the north and south ends can thus obtain books from the library without going to the library itself. The expense of the maintenance of each of these reading rooms, for attendants, has been about $25 per month, and for expressage of books from the main library to the branch reading rooms $25 per month. The total expenditure to December 15, for these branch reading rooms was $513.

The cataloguing of the old books has now been completed, as far as it is possible in the present library quarters, the shelf-room of which is exhausted, and no further cataloguing of the many thousands of the old books remaining can be had until the city provides new quarters for the library. It has become a serious problem with the library management how to deal with the new books as they are received, requiring as they do an addition of five hundred feet of shelf-room yearly.

The trustees have long felt the necessity of providing facilities for the study of art. Other cities have adopted this feature in connection with their public libraries with great success, notably the city of Worcester. This subject was by the trustees submitted to a committee consisting of Mr. Alex. McL. Goodspeed, chairman, and Messrs. Julien and Sayer, who devoted much time and thought to it, the chairman visiting Boston, Worcester, and other

places, and making finally an elaborate report to the trustees, in which, after alluding to the importance of this subject as an educational work, and the interest in such matters peculiar to our city, and the fact that the library already has many fine works of art, they recommend the supplementing of the works now possessed by the city with photographic views of architecture and of paintings of the old masters. By this means the study of these two branches may be profitably pursued by those interested therein. A very valuable and useful list of such photographs accompanies their report. It is the intention of the trustees, during the coming year, to add this feature to the facilities of the library.

Reference to the reports which the trustees have made to the City Council for many years will show that the trustees have, in a great variety of forms of expression, set forth the imperative needs of the library for new and greatly enlarged quarters, and the claims of the library to have them supplied by the City Council.

It is impossible to add anything further to what has already been said by the trustees, and yet in some way a new library building must be obtained for the city. The trustees are not unmindful of the embarrassment of the City Council in dealing with matters requiring large expenditures, in view of the many calls now made from the various departments, but the wants of the library are now such as to make it impossible, notwithstanding the financial condition of the city, to ignore longer the claims of this department. We have here one of the most valuable libraries in the state. Thousands and thousands of dollars have been donated to it by public spirited citizens, whose donations the city could not accept without incurring an obligation to provide for their proper enjoyment. The dangers from fire, the inconvenience to the patrons of the library, the impossibility of using the library for study

and consultation, the lack of shelving room, the inaccessibility of large stores of books, the dilapidated appearance of the library, apparent to visiting strangers — all these matters have been stated again and again to the City Council in order to induce it to supply a new building, but without avail, and it is the duty of the trustees to continue without ceasing to bring this subject to the attention of the City Council. The trustees now respectfully urge the City Council to take up the matter this present year. In view of the fact that valuable library sites are rapidly disappearing or increasing in value, will not the Council at least procure a site, and so make a beginning of removing this reproach to our city?

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. ASHLEY,
STEPHEN A. BROWNELL,
CHARLES H. LAWTON,
Ex-officio,

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Trustees.

APPENDIX.

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR 1897.

Volumes added to the library by purchase,	2,713
Volumes added by binding periodicals, etc.,	623
Volumes added by gift,	422
Volumes worn out and lost,	480
Net additions,	3,278
Volumes rebound and repaired,	1,308
Pamphlets donated,	878
Periodicals in the reading room,	156
Newspapers in the reading room,	22
New cards issued,	1,329
Books drawn for home use,	132,137
Fiction and juveniles,	76.6%
Increase of circulation over 1896,	15,512

Attendance at the library on Sundays during 1897: The largest attendance was 123, March 7; the smallest was 17, Sept. 5; total attendance for 43 Sundays, 2,618; average attendance, 60; an increase of 6 over the average for 1896; the library was closed during July and August.

January	3,	90		June	6,	56	
"	10,	42		"	13,	22	
"	17,	82		"	20,	31	
"	24,	92		"	27,	27	136
"	31,	66	372	September	5,	17	
February	7,	87		"	12,	39	
"	14,	88		"	19,	30	
"	21,	85		"	26,	41	127
"	28,	97	357	October	3,	56	
March	7,	123		"	10,	41	
"	14,	55		"	17,	58	
"	21,	70		"	24,	55	
"	28,	80	328	"	31,	71	281
April	4,	66		November	7,	78	
"	11,	56		"	14,	80	
"	18,	31		"	21,	62	
"	25,	49	202	"	28,	75	295
May,	2,	46		December	5,	58	
"	9,	46		"	12,	60	
"	16,	59		"	19,	108	
"	23,	32		"	26,	51	307
"	30,	30	213				

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY ACCOUNT.

1897.		
City appropriations,		$10,500.00
Expenditures:		
Salaries and wages,	$8,903.40	
Printing, binding, and supplies,	1,099.65	
Balance,	496.95	$10,500.00
Paid as follows:		
Salaries and wages:		
R. C. Ingraham,	$2,062.50	
B. W. Pennock,	1,512.50	
L. N. Nichols,	1,060.00	
F. E. Farwell,	478.86	
S. H. Gammons,	495.00	
J. A. Merrick,	495.00	
E. F. Lawrence,	478.54	
A. M. D'Wolf,	516.87	
E. J. Merrick,	76.50	
E. L. Jones,	65.00	
M. E. Brown,	24.00	
Y. W. Ames,	672.00	
C. L. Yaeger,	302.88	
G. C. Lees,	150.50	
H. E. Macy,	155.33	
A. C. Lee,	87.50	
C. Bly,	44.00	
C. Brownell,	35.90	
F. C. Jason,	33.02	
C. Hatch,	21.00	
T. Wilson,	15.75	
E. Norris,	50.75	
D. J. McAuliffe,	10.00	
P. H. Dollard,	60.00	$8,903.40
Binding, printing and supplies:		
Rotch & Potter,	$187.50	
S. H. Cook & Co.,	187.50	
E. Anthony & Sons,	7.50	
W. H. Collins & Co.,	124.00	
H. S. Hutchinson & Co.,	15.94	
Library Bureau,	130.16	
H. H. Sampson,	445.05	
Labor,	2.00	$1,099.65

SYLVIA ANN HOWLAND FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND.

Balance from old account,	$112.65	
Income,	3,000.00	$3,112.65
Expenditures:		
Books,	$2,184.32	
Periodicals,	17.20	
Balance,	911.13	$3,112.65

The detailed statement of the expenditures from the income of this fund is as follows:

H. S. Hutchinson & Co.,	$728.01
R. W. Taber,	811.54
A. S. Clark,	44.81
S. E. Miller,	6.50
Egypt Exploration Fund,	10.00
G. E. Stechert,	110.43
N. J. Bartlett & Co.,	124.14
Bancroft, Whitney Co.,	20.00
T. H. Castor & Co.,	60.83
Little, Brown & Co.,	44.77
W. S. Houghton,	29.65
Cleveland Public Library,	5.00
Samuel Kimball,	3.00
Zenas M. Briggs,	2.50
Henry H. Sampson,	10.25
Almy & Milne,	3.00
American Friend,	1.75
Damrell & Upham,	6.85
R. R. Bowker,	3.68
D. E. Pennepacker,	3.00
Edward L. Bannon,	2.25
A. M. Elliott,	1.50
Massachusetts Historical Society,	6.00
Library Bureau,	3.56
Sidney S. Rider,	1.30
Writer Pub. Co.,	6.00
Joseph Thornton & Son,	9.52
American Antiquarian Society,	3.50
Academy of Natural Science,	5.00
Haight & Co.,	2.50
B. S. Bachelor,	6.00
George Ringrose,	1.00
F. S. Blanchard,	1.50
F. C. Clarke,	1.50

Sampson, Murdock & Co.,	13.00	
Jordan, Marsh & Co.,	12.58	
Dante Society,	5.00	
C. Scribner & Sons,	6.00	
W. A. Greenough & Co.,	2.50	
Boston Book Co.,	61.50	
H. R. Johnson,	1.00	
Rand, McNally & Co.,	10.50	
Abraham Taber,	2.50	
Public Opinion Co.,	1.10	
Bureau of American Republics,	5.00	$2,201.52

GEORGE HOWLAND, JR., FUND.

Unexpended balance of income,	$227.13	
Income,	96.00	$323.13
Expenditures:		
S. G. Gidley,	$10.00	
Little, Brown & Co.,	13.50	
H. S. Hutchinson & Co.,	8.00	
George F. King,	30.40	
D. H. Hurd & Co.,	30.00	
Harper's Weekly Club,	40.00	
Balance,	191.23	$323.13

CHARLES W. MORGAN FUND.

Unexpended balance of income,	$31.61	
Income,	60.00	$91.61
Expenditures:		
N. J. Bartlett & Co.,	$6.00	
Balance,	85.61	$91.61

JAMES B. CONGDON FUND.

Unexpended balance of income,	$170.09	
Income,	$30.00	$200.09
Expenditures:		
G. E. Littlefield,	$154.68	
E. T. Bannon,	1.50	
Balance,	43.91	$200.09

OLIVER CROCKER FUND.

Unexpended balance of income,	$1.73	
Income,	60.00	$61.73
Expenditures:		
N. J. Bartlett,	$8.95	
H. S. Hutchinson,	14.64	
R. W. Taber,	23.36	
W. H. Winslow,	1.13	
Balance,	13.65	$61.73

GEORGE O. CROCKER FUND.

Unexpended balance of income,	$92.92	
Income,	400.00	$492.92
Expenditures:		
N. J. Bartlett & Co.,	$23.25	
H. S. Hutchinson & Co.,	220.55	
Johns Hopkins Press,	1.65	
Little, Brown & Co.,	1.50	
S. E. Miller,	2.00	
S. S. Rider,	3.50	
R. W. Taber,	222.79	
Bancroft, Whitney & Co.,	4.00	
Balance,	13.58	$492.92

CHARLES L. WOOD FUND.

Unexpended balance of income,	$2.15	
Income,	80.00	$82.15
Expenditures,		
G. E. Littlefield,	$14.10	
Balance,	68.05	$82.15

DOG FUND.

Balance,	$197.22	
Amount from County Treasurer,	1,328.78	$1,526.00
Expenditures:		
Mercury Publishing Co.,	$70.51	
E. Anthony & Sons,	273.62	
H. S. Hutchinson & Co.,	252.74	
Library Bureau,	88.82	
Briggs & Lawrence,	39.54	
W. H. Collins & Co.,	503.84	
Greene & Wood,	6.48	
F. S. Brightman,	10.23	
C. D. Waldron,	1.00	
G. L. Briggs,	40.35	
F. A. Bradley,	8.80	
Coffin Bros.,	10.00	
G. R. Phillips,	3.00	
A. P. Pope,	11.74	
Almy & Milne,	3.00	
P. B. Sanford,	5.00	
L'Echo du Soir Pub. Co.,	21.00	
W. G. Dennison,	3.00	
Journal of Commerce Co.,	10.00	
Balance,	163.33	$1,526.00

READING ROOM FUND.

Appropriation,		$2,500.00
Expenditures:		
A. F. Drummond,	$7.00	
E. Anthony & Sons,	7.65	
G. L. Briggs,	4.08	
Briggs & Lawrence,	61.00	
W. F. Bannon,	75.00	
Hathaway & Co.,	2.20	
H. S. Hutchinson & Co.,	20.00	
B. Humphries,	75.00	
L'Echo du Soir Publishing Co.,	2.70	
Library Bureau,	6.00	
Mercury Publishing Co.,	11.00	
G. D. Richards,	1.70	
R. W. Taber,	8.10	
C. F. Wing,	60.50	
Taylor & Sawtelle,	29.60	
B. A. Andress,	78.00	
J. B. Baylies,	15.00	
F. A. Bradley,	16.70	
W. H. Collins & Co.,	11.00	
M. L. Sylvia,	1.90	
Balance,	2,005.87	$2,500.00

GIFTS, 1897.

	Volumes.	Pamphlets.
A. B. B. Benesch Publishing Co.,		1
Akin, Francis T. & Co.,		1
American Academy of the Dramatic Arts,		1
American Antiquarian Society,		1
American Forestry Association,		6
American Statistical Association,		1
American Unitarian Association,		1
Ames Yorick W.,		1
Amherst College,		1
Andover Theological Seminary,		1
Arena Publishing Company,		1
Balch, Edwin Swift,	1	
Baltimore Consolidated Coal Co.,		1
Bancroft Whitney Co.,	1	
Bangs & Co.,		2
Barrows, S. J.,		1
Baudoin, L. N.	2	
Beer, William,	1	
Blanchard, George R.		1
Bocca Fratelli,		1
Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Me.,		3
Brandon, Edward J., Cambridge, Mass.,	1	
Brock, William M.,	1	
Brown, Frederick J.,		1
Brown University,		2
Bunker Hill Monument Association,		1
Bureau of American Republics,	2	
Butler Hospital for the Insane,		1
Church, George W.,		1
City of New Bedford,	44	8
Clarke Institute for Deaf Mutes,		1
Colby University, Waterville, Me.,		1
Columbia University of the City of New York,		3

Commissioners of the State Reservation at Niagara,		1
Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	62	4
Congregationlist, The,		1
Cowpen's Centennial Commemoration,	1	
Cutter, Abram E.,		1
Douglass, D. De Forest,		1
Drake, A. B.,	1	
Dugan, Mrs. David,	1	
Edmands, John,		1
Electro Tint Engraving Company, Phil.,		1
Fairmount Park Art Association, Phil.,		3
Family of the late Chas. Davis Bradlee, D. D., Ph. D.,	1	
Fernow, B. E.,		1
Field Columbian Museum,		9
Geddes, Thomas E.,		1
Gidley, E. G.,	1	
Gifford Charles H.,	1	
Government of the United States:		
Agricultural Department,	5	128
Bureau of Education,	5	6
Interior Department,	1	24
Interstate Commerce Commission,	1	1
Labor Bureau,	4	6
Miscellaneous,	18	2
Patent Office,	5	4
Public Documents. (In sheep),	98	
Treasury Department,	2	
War Department,	3	5
Grant, John, Edinburgh,	1	
Green, Andrew H.,	1	1
Green, Dr. Samuel A.,	1	35
Grieve, Robert,	5	2
Grinnell, Arthur,		2
Gunton Institute,		5
Harper, Francis P.,		1
Harvard University,		1
Hathaway, Nathaniel,	34	27
Hayes, John S.,		1
Hoar, Geo. F.		1
Horace Mann School, Boston,		1
Howland, Morris,	1	3
Hubbell, Mark S., Buffalo,	1	
Hucke, Julius,		1
Humphrey, Geo. P.,		2
Hutchison, H. S.,	3	

Illinois Anti-Vivisection Society,		2
Indian Rights Association,		11
Ingram, John K.,		1
Ingraham, Mary C.,		2
Irish National Federation of America,		1
James, Mrs. Lucy M.,	1	
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore,		6
Johnson, Rev. Alfred Evan,	64	
Journal of Commerce Publishing Company, Providence, R. I.,		1
Judson, Abby A.,		2
Keidel, George,		1
Lee, Leslie A.,		2
Leffingwell, Albert, M. D., Cambridge, Mass.,		1
Lexington Historical Society,		1
Libraries:		
Baltimore. Enoch Pratt Free Library,		1
Boston Public Library,	1	14
Brookline Public Library,		6
Brooklyn Library,		4
Buffalo Library,		1
Burlington, Vt. Fletcher Free Library,		1
Cambridge, Mass. Free Public Library,		10
Harvard University Library,		1
Cedar Rapids Masonic Library,		1
Chicago Public Library,		1
Cincinnati Public Library,		6
Clinton, Mass. Bigelow Free Public Library,		1
Danvers, Mass. Public Library,		1
Denver Public Library,		1
Des Moines, Iowa, Library,		1
Detroit Public Library,		1
Fall River Public Library,		1
Fitchburg Library,		5
Germantown. Friends' Library,		1
Hartford. Case Memorial Library,		1
Public Library,		4
Hopedale Public Library,		1
Jersey City Public Library,		7
Lawrence Public Library,		6
Los Angeles Public Library,		1
Lowell City Library,		6
Lynn Public Library,		1
Malden Public Library,		2

Minneapolis Public Library,		6
Monmouth, Ill. Warren Co. Library,		1
Montana. Helena Public Library,		3
Newark, N. J. Free Public Library,		1
Newport. Redwood Library,		1
Newton Free Library,		1
New Orleans. Fisk Free and Public Library,	1	
New York. Aguilar Free Library,		1
General Soc. of Mechanics and Tradesmen,		8
Mercantile Library Association,		2
Public Library,		12
Northampton. Forbes Library,		1
Paterson. N. J. Public Library,		8
Peoria Public Library,		1
Philadelphia. Apprentices Library Company,		3
Library Company,		1
Mercantile Library Company,		5
Pittsburg, Pa. Carnegie Library,		4
Portland Public Library,		1
Providence Athenæum,		10
Public Library,		13
St. Louis. Mercantile Library Association,		2
Salem Public Library,		8
San Francisco Public Library,		13
Seattle Library Commission,		1
Somerville Public Library,		12
Springfield. City Library Association,		13
Syracuse. Central Library,		1
Taunton Public Library,		2
Waltham Public Library,		10
Watertown Library,		1
Worcester Free Public Library,		13
Lilly, Eli & Co.,		1
Lippitt Charles W.,		2
Lund, Joseph,		1
McCormick Harvesting Co.,	1	
MacKellar, Smith & Jordon, Phil.,	1	
Macmillan & Co.,		1
Maine Association,		2
Maine Genealogical Society,		1
Mass. Civil Service Com.,		1
Massachusetts Institute of Technology,		1
Menezes, J. de,	2	2
Merrick, Josephine A.,	1	
Milne, J. M., *M. C.*,		1

Morton, Bliss & Co.,		2
Mount Holyoke College,		1
Munn & Co., N. Y.,	1	
Munson, Rev. Myron A.		1
National Civil Service Reform League,		3
National Municipal League, Phil.,		1
New Bedford Choral Association,		2
New Bedford Semi-Centennial Bureau of Publicity and Promotion,	2	
New England Water Works Association	1	
New Jersey Historical Society,	1	
New York Farmers,		1
Nichols, L. Nelson,	1	10
North German Lloyd Steamship Co.,		1
Parsons, J. R., and others,	1	
Peabody Institute, Baltimore,		1
Peabody Institute, Danvers,		1
Pennock, Benj. W.,		1
Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery,		1
Perkins Institute for the Blind,		1
Poynter, Rev. Richard,		2
Pratt, F. S. and C. H.,	1	
Present Problems Publishing Co., N. Y.,		1
Princeton University,		1
Providence Record Commissioners,	3	
Pullman Company,		1
Republic of Hawaii		1
Riverside Paper Co., Holyoke,		1
Rodman, Edmund	2	
Royal Society of Canada,	1	
Rhode Island School of Design,		2
Sadler, Ralph	1	
St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford,		1
Sayer, William L.,		4
Searight, James A.,	1	
Sedgwick, Henry D.,	1	
Sellers, Edwin J.,		1
Shaker Soc, East Canterbury, N. H.,		2
Sherman, Charles R.,	5	
Simpkins, John, *M. C.*,	1	1
Smiley, Albert K.,		1
Smithsonian Institution,	13	3
Sound Currency Com. of the Reform Club,		17
Stokes, Anson Phelps	1	
Taber, Miss Gertrude	1	
Taber, Mrs. Alice S.,	7	

Taber, Silas S.,	1	
Tabor Academy,		1
Thompson, Mrs. Louisa R.,	68	141
Thurston, Lorrin A.,		1
Trustees of Public Reservations		1
Trinitarian Church, New Bedford,		1
Tucker, Dr. Edward		38
Union for Christian Work, Brooklyn, N. Y.,		2
United States Infantry Society,		1
University Club, N. Y.,		1
University of California.		3
University of Chicago,	1	
University of Nebraska	1	2
University of Pennsylvania,		1
University of the State of New York,		2
University of Vermont,		1
Vientine, F. & M., Venice, Italy,		1
Volta Bureau, Washington,	1	1
Webb, William H.,	2	
Westervelt, A. B. and W. T., N. Y.,		1
Whimper, Edward	1	
William Logan Post No. 1.,		1
Winston, William H., *M. D.*,	1	
Winthrop, Robert C., Jr.,	1	
Woodbury, John P.,		1
Woodiwiss, George J. P., *Major of Bath, Eng.*,	1	
Worth, Benjamin	1	
Yale University,	1	

PERIODICALS AND MS.

American Anti-Vivisection Society. Journal of Zoophily 1897. Phil., 1897. 4°.

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